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Amendments to the Claims

1. (Currently amended) A columbarium apparatus comprising:

at least one niche defined by a columbarium structure, and having an open end ;

an inside door configured to cover the open end of the niche and attached to the columbarium structure by a first set of tamper resistant hardware;

an outside door configured to cover the inside door and attached to the columbarium structure by a second set of tamper resistant hardware such that an inner face of the outside door is supported by an outer face of the inside door;

wherein the first set of tamper proof hardware is concealed by the outside door when the outside door is installed;

wherein the first set of tamper proof hardware requires a first tool for removal, and wherein the second set of tamper proof hardware requires a different second tool for removal.

2. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 1 further comprising a ledge extending from the columbarium structure and oriented such that a lower edge of the outside door is supported by the ledge.
3. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 1 wherein the outside door is attached to the columbarium structure by attachment to a vertical strip portion of the columbarium structure.

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4. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 1 further comprising a channel member adjacent to one side of the niche defining a recess oriented to accommodate an edge of the outside door.
5. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 1 further comprising a resilient material between the inside and outside doors and in contact with the inner face of the outside door and the outer face of the inside door.
6. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 5 wherein the resilient material is a silicone compound.
7. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 1 wherein the inside door is made from aluminum and the outside door is made from stone.
8. (Cancelled)
9. (Cancelled)
10. (Cancelled)
11. (Cancelled)
12. (Currently amended) A columbarium apparatus comprising:

a columbarium structure defining a plurality of niches;

wherein each niche is defined by top, bottom, right side, left side, and rear walls and has an open end;

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a horizontal ledge extending from the columbarium structure in proximity to the bottom wall of at least one niche;

an inside door configured to cover the open end of the at least one niche and attached to the columbarium structure by a first set of tamper resistant hardware;

an outside door configured to cover the inside door and conceal the first set of tamper proof hardware, and attached to the columbarium structure by a second set of tamper resistant hardware such that an inner face of the outer door is supported by an outer face of the inside door, and such that a lower edge of the outside door is supported by the ledge;

wherein the first set of tamper proof hardware requires a first tool for removal, and wherein the second set of tamper proof hardware requires a different second tool for removal.

13. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 12 wherein the inside door is made from aluminum and the outside door is made from stone.
14. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 12 wherein the outside door is attached to the columbarium structure by attachment to a vertical strip portion of the columbarium structure.
15. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 12 further comprising a channel member adjacent to one side of the niche defining a recess oriented to accommodate an edge of the outside door.

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16. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 12 further comprising a resilient material between the inside and outside doors.
17. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 16 wherein the resilient material is a silicone compound.
18. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 12 wherein the columbarium structure is substantially aluminum and wherein the tamper proof hardware comprises stainless steel or brass.
19. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 12 wherein the first set of tamper proof hardware requires a first tool for removal, and wherein the second set of tamper proof hardware requires a different second tool for removal.
20. (Cancelled)